



BRAVO BULLDOGS



• **FRG POC'S for the Bulldog Family**
 FRG Advisor: Robin Lane, Patty Cisneros
 FRG Leader: SGT John, Junior
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CDR COMMENTS:

The Bulldogs are half way done with the deployment. As we venture into the following months, we ask the families to continue to show their love and support.

Birthdays: MAY BABIES

SPC Pint – 14 May
 SPC Bizzell – 29 May



SPC Harris always in charge!!!



SPC Chiqui doing great things!



SGT Bolden inducted into NCO CORPS



PFC Buggs winning smile!





• FRG POC'S for the Osdlawz Family
FRG Advisor: Sabina Galan
FRG Leader: SGT James

• Birthday Announcements:

CW2 Fritz 8 May
Jeylen Bishop 28 May
Devonn Barnes 29 May
Sommer Fritz 29 May

Anniversaries:

NONE



Sommer Fritz completed her 6th Grade year as an all "A" HONOR ROLL.

Ciera Tucker completed her 3d Grade year as "A" and "TP" HONOR ROLL. She also received a READING AWARD. Her 3d Grade Class also received the Reading T-Shirts as a whole.



We would like to recognize SPC Copeland's daughter for just being cute.

SGT Collins's son enjoying being a baby. No worries in the world. Living life to the fullest.



CONGRATULATION TO CW2 FRITZ FOR HIS OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENT AS AG REGIMENTAL WARRANT OF THE YEAR



We would like to acknowledge CW2 Fritz accomplishment as the AG Warrant of the Year. CW2 Fritz is a warrant that we as ECHO Detachment are proud to have on our team. He is by far a great leader to emulate his other accomplishments are: the AG Soldier of the Year and an Audie Murphy Inductee.



ECHO Detachment on the way from Camp Blanding, Kansas on their way to Camp Liberty, Iraq. Not knowing what to expect.

kids only

DID YOU KNOW

- More U.S. presidents—nineteen—were born in October than any other month (John Adams, Rutherford B. Hayes, Chester Arthur, Theodore Roosevelt, Dwight Eisenhower, and Jimmy Carter).
- All three children in the Bonkman family of Norway were born on Leap Day—February 29: Heidi in 1960, Olav in 1964, and Leif Martin in 1968.
- The most one-sided game in football history took place in Atlanta on October 7, 1916, when Georgia Tech defeated Cumberland College, 223-0. Incredibly—and miraculously—the second half was shortened by 15 minutes!
- The first video game, "Space War," was developed in 1962 by college students at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



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RENEGADES

We started the month out right with promotions...congrats to our Fab Five, newly promoted Specialists Ballado, Darden, Saguilla, Toronto, and Zheng!



Although we are in a combat zone, we don't stop training. During weapons qualification, we put some brass down range. We had one perfect score in Alpha Det...the pic below is PFC Julie Burns, with 40 out of 40 shots on target. You go, Annie Oakley!



Most did well on the Army Physical Fitness Test, but only Sergeant Royrick Daniels maxed every event, scoring a perfect 300. Sergeant Nadia Martinez was inducted into the NCO Corps in a ceremony, May 20th. Specialist Torin Boggs came out on top in the Detachment's Soldier of the Month Board.



The Motszkos had an excellent time on R&R! This pic was taken in Istanbul, Turkey, but they also visited Germany, Austria, & cruised around the Greek Isles.



These Soldiers are enjoying our monthly cookout, with cake for dessert, to honor the Soldiers with a b-day in May.

The 24th of May was the halfway point of our deployment in Iraq, so it's all downhill from here! We will be home soon. ☺
God bless.

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Commander's Corner

To the Soldiers, Family and Friends of "The Deuce":

As I write this letter on Memorial Day, I think of the sacrifices that our Soldiers and our families make on a daily basis in support of the defense of our nation. Let us never forget those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice so that we can maintain the freedoms that we enjoy in our daily lives. Being here, you certainly begin to appreciate the "small things" in life that some people take for granted, such as freedom of speech, freedom of religious pursuit, and that citizenship guarantees life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

This month, we celebrated "hump day" on Wednesday, 24 May, which marks the approximate halfway point of our unit deployment. Now, some will have shorter stays, and individuals may stay slightly longer, but by and large the majority are on the downhill side with less than 6 months remaining. I understand the FRG held a meeting to commemorate the day - thanks for making it special.

As always, we have plenty of good news - May brought a host of promotions - and a couple were even a surprise as we received some waivers. SPC Speris from HHD was left speechless (which is a miracle for him), and we promoted SPC Perez (HHD), SPC Badillo and SPC Saguilla from B DET, and SPC Darden and SPC Zheng from A DET. Additionally, we promoted 2LT Karla Williams from 1/755 Postal Platoon (Tough Hombres) to 1LT in a special ceremony held at the Liberty Post Office. We said farewell to 1LT Thompson, 55th Postal Company XO - she was a 6 month "gift" to us after serving 6 months at Corps, and she was a great asset to the postal HQs team. Congratulations to all these outstanding Soldiers.

The beginning of the month was highlighted by weapons marksmanship training. Thanks to all the NCOs who made it happen. We had many high firers on M16 and M9 pistol, and some friendly competition was waged by all. Speaking of friendly competition, our football team won this month's post tournament - good job and way to make the BN proud.

Also, the commander of 15th PSB, LTC Roger Wood, arrived for their predeployment site survey. That is a great feeling - having your "turtle" here to shadow you - it means we are getting closer to our return date. He was impressed with the work that our Soldiers and staff had done to date, but we still have a ways to go in making key decisions to help support the next rotation.

Additionally, MG Hernandez and CSM Gathers from Human Resources Command came by for NCO and Officer professional development. Both talked about the future of the AG Corps and the importance of our jobs as Human Resources specialists. Also, they described some of the challenges we have ahead as we prepare to deactivate the battalion and still provide support to the 4th ID(M) by placing key personnel in the brigades and battalions - a daunting task. But, our Soldiers are up to the task, having been battle tested here in OIF.

Finally, I want to give a personal thanks to the rear detachment for making our job easier. The reach back support you provide, and the ease of mind you give us by taking care of our families, allows us to focus forward. Keep up the good work, and we look forward to seeing your smiling faces again.

"The Best Supports the Best",
LTC Todd Garlick

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CSM Corner

Greetings family and friends of the Mighty Deuce Battalion. Can you believe we are at our mid-tour mark? Several of you have seen your Soldier come home for Environmental Morale Leave (EML). For those of you still waiting, it won't be long! The plan is to have every eligible Soldier in the battalion taking their EML prior to Sep 06. Our battalion worked extra hard and still found time to stop and "smell the roses." Training and rewarding was our work priority. Everyone in the battalion took their semi-annual APFT and requalified with their assigned weapon. The unit leadership burned some midnight oil writing our Soldier's deserving end of tour award. May was also a rewarding month for all NCOs as we inducted several of our newly promoted NCOs into the NCO Corps and the Senior NCOs participated in a team building event. Again, I'd like to express my sincere gratitude to all of you for your support and prayers.

The two pictures below were taken at the NCO Induction Ceremony



To the left is SGT Martinez, A Det

To the bottom is SGTs Morlu, Vang, and Wagner, all from HHD



Here we have SFC Malone, our BN S6, SGT Muhammad, A Det, and our AG WO of the Year, CW2 Prittz from E Det.



To the right is SFC Harris from B Det, briefing Soldiers for their EML flight



Below is a group of Senior NCOs hard at work during our team building event



Here we have SFC Barnes, E Det; SFC Cisneros, B Det; and SFC Hammond, HHD are standing behind the best view of Baghdad.



**Thank you,
CSM Divina Bobb**



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- Viper Birthday's:

SPC HINTON, MARCUS
PFC CONTENT, JASON



TO FAMILY & FRIENDS

As we have just reached the halfway point in our journey, we would like to take a moment to thank each and every family member and dearest friends. Your unwavering support have made this deployment a lot easier to bare. An email here and there and an occasional care package are those little things that mean so very much, ultimately keeping a smile on our faces. I say OUR because believe me, when the packages arrive, we all share like you wouldn't believe - A true morale booster. Therefore, we respectfully ask that you all NOT change a thing.

• **Miscellaneous:**

Now you can view what is going on in the battalion anytime by logging on in the battalion anytime by logging on <http://www.hood.army.mil/4ID/> Click on "Units" then "502d PSB". The website is continuously updated with the latest information that will assist family and friends with upcoming events.

PAST EVENTS: MAY 06'

- Viper Promotions

SPC SPERIS, JOSEPH
SPC PEREZ, JONATHAN

On 1 May 06 the Viper Family had the privilege of promoting not one but two great Soldiers and Americans. These young studs were promoted months early due to their hard work and willingness to excel beyond the call of duty.



As always, in closing, REMEMBER your continued Love, Care and Concern is an inspiration to each and every Soldier

THANK YOU.

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**God Speed,
CPT Whittington**